

MINUTES

Annual Meeting of Water Users of the Logan River System and Representatives of the State Engineer's Office

January 27, 1993
1:00 p.m.
Logan City Hall

The meeting was conducted by Don Hansen, President, with Bob Fotheringham discussing the water year outlook. A good runoff is predicted if precipitation continues. The base flow of the river is not expected to sustain at a high rate, possibly 77% of normal. It will take some time to recharge large reservoirs.

Minutes of the 1992 annual meeting were read by Virginia Parker, acting Secretary. It was noted that there was an error in the minutes. Virginia Parker noted that she would only assist in the work of Secretary/Treasurer, she would not accept the position permanently. The minutes were accepted as amended. Motion made by Del Ray Hobbs, seconded by Blaine Boudrero.

Lee Sim read the Financial Statement was read and discussed. It was noted that the budget had not been exceeded and there were no delinquent accounts. The report was accepted, motion made by Reed Johnson, seconded by Del Ray Hobbs, passed by voice vote.

The 1992 Commissioner's Report was given by Terry Gnehm, who explained that the only water in the river last year came from the springs. Water will not be in excess until the springs fill up again.

Terry explained that he had an opportunity to bid on used recorders. He bought three for \$60. If purchased new, they would sell for \$1,200.00 each. Two of the three purchased recorders worked and he has been using one of them.

In answer to the question about low water periods and who should look at day to day compliance, Terry explained that he distributed water into each ditch or canal according to the Kimball Decree, not varying the amount, so that some water was returned to the river due to non use, appearing to be waste water. There was some discussion on Logan's 'Island area' waste water, Desmond Anderson explained that the water on the Island, which sometimes overflows the shallow curb ditches, is due to normal drainage and runoff, not to flooding or waste water. Motion to accept Terry's report was made by Dean Berntson, seconded by Reed Johnson, motion passed.

Don Hansen noted that it was the intention of the Association to continue the exchange of water between Logan City and Logan River Water users as explained on page 14 of the Annual Report.

Don Hansen discussed briefly the program of cloud seeding, and wondered if we could use LRDS as means to access for cloudseeding. He stated that the individuals and companies interested in contributing could contact Seth Allen of the Cache County Council.

There was some discussion prior to the Budget Report about the matter of the Commissioner's salary and travel expenses. Lee Sim reviewed commissioners salaries statewide. The amount budgeted is not sufficient to cover the actual cost, and it was felt that travel expense should be raised from \$.35 to \$.40 per mile. John Wennergren moved and it was seconded, to increase the commissioner's salary to \$6,000/year. Peter Kung motioned that the distribution system should give more based on \$/hour, Del Ray Hobbs seconded. It was proposed to set it at \$10/hour. Terry then indicated that he was satisfied and did not want more pay if it meant more complicated record keeping for him. Peter Kung withdrew the motion. Blaine Boudrero made the motion for a \$500 raise. It was seconded by Lamon Perkes, there was more discussion. Blaine Boudrero restated his motion, the vote was in favor.

The budget of \$7,900 was set. Reed Johnson moved to accept the budget. Peter Kung seconded that the assessment should be the same. Don Hansen reminded those that receive water pumped by Logan City, to pay outstanding assessments by February 1, 1993.

Election of officers was held. Del Ray Hobbs motioned to hire Terry Gnehm as Commission for 1993. LaMon Perkes seconded the motion, motion passed. Don Hansen was nominated as chairman by Lewis Bodrero, it was seconded by Del Ray Hobbs. The motion was passed to include the following officers:

Don Hansen - Chairman
Harry Willmore - Vice Chairman
Peter Kung - Secretary

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Marie Wilson of the Utah Division of Wild Life Management was given the floor to talk about the effect of sluicing equipment and reservoirs on downstream wildlife. She cited the Water Quality law and urged caution and cooperation of water users in maintaining the quality of water. Water can be polluted by both natural and caustic materials and consideration of wildlife is necessary.

Questions were raised for discussion about the wide fluctuation of water flow in the river and consequently the canals. It became a problem during last summer and was attributed to USU, which was diverting water to generate power during the night. There were no further problems during the irrigation season when this was discontinued.

The question was raised about studying the possibility of water storage on the Logan River. Del Ray hobbs moved that the officers of the Association contact the person hired to study water needs and use in Cache County about this matter. It was seconded and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Those in attendance at Logan River Meeting held Wednesday, January 27, 1993

Del Ray Hobbs	Benson Ward Irrigation
Maureen Wilson	Utah Division Wildlife Resources
John Wennergren	Logan-Hyde Park & Smsithfield
Serge Bodrero	Crockett Avenue
Heber Hardman	Logan Northwest Field Irrigation
Joddy Bodrero	Logan Northwest Field Irrigation
Reed Johnson	Logan Northwest Field Irrigation
Louis B. Boudrero	Logan Northwest Field Irrigation
Virginia Parker	Seventh Ward Irrigation
David F. Forsberg	Providence Logan Irrigation
Duard Chugg	Providence Logan Irrigation
Dean Bernston	Thatcher Irrigation
Mary Tallmadge	Logan Island Irrigation
Desmond Anderson	Logan Island Irrigation
William Atkin	Utah Division Water Rights - Logan
Keith Maas	Geo-Graphics Inc.
Peter E. Kung	Logan Northwest Field Irrigation
Harry Willmore	Logan Cow Pasture
Don Hansen	Logan Northern Irrigation
Terry L. Gnehm	Water Commissioner
Lee A. Sim	Utah Division Water Rights - SLC
Robert M. Fotheringham	Utah Division Water Rights - Logan
John L. Larsen	Utah Division Water Rights - SLC
E. Devere Miner	Crockett Avenue Irrigation
Donna W. Spillett	Logan Island Irrigation
Paul Cardon	Logan Cow Pasture
Blaine Morris	Crockett Avenue Irrigation